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SUBJECT: SWEDISH PARLIAMENT REJECTS PRG RECOGNITION PROPOSAL

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1. THE SWEDISH PARLIAMENT (RIKSDAG) ON NOV. 27 REJECTED A MOTION PROPOSED BY A COALITION OF LEFTIST DEPUTIES FROM THE SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC, CENTER, AND COMMUNIST PARTIES TO RECOGNIZE THE PRG. THE VOTE WAS 265 AGAINST RECOGNITION TO 54 IN FAVOR. TWENTY-SIX SOCIAL DEMOCRAT JOINED 18 COMMUNISTS AND 10 CENTER PARTY MP'S IN VOTING FOR RECOGNITION. LEADING THE MOVE TO RECOGNIZE THE PRG WAS LONG-TIME VIETNAM ACTIVIST AND
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CHAIRMAN OF SWEDISH VIETNAM COMMITTEES BIRGITTA DAHL,

A SOCIAL DEMOCRAT, DURING THE DEBATE MRS. DAHL ALSO DISCLOSED THAT THE GOS HAD DECIDED TO REMOVE THE NAMES OF THE RVN MISSION IN BONN FROM THE STOCKHOLM DIPLOMATIC LIST AND THAT THE MEMBERS OF THE GOS EMBASSY IN BANGKOK WOULD NO LONGER BE CARRIED ON THE SAIGON DIPLOMATIC LIST (STOCKHOLM 5054).

2. IN AN EDITORIAL TODAY, SVENSKA DAGBLADET (MODERATE) LAMENTED FACT THAT PLAN TO DROP RVN FROM DIPLOMATIC LIST WAS ANNOUNCED BY DAHL AND NOT BE GOVERNMENT. "COULD IT BE," PAPER ASKED, "THAT GOVERNMENT REALIZED ITS ACTION WAS WRONG?"

3. COMMENT: THE RIKSDAG'S ACTION IN REJECTING THE LEFTIST EFFORTS TO RECOGNIZE THE PRG CONFIRMS FOREIGN MINISTER ANDERSSON'S ASSURANCE TO ME LAST WEEK (REFTEL) THAT THE GOS DOES NOT INTEND TO ACCORD DIPLOMATIC STATUS TO THE PRG. IN LETTING WORD OUT THAT RVN HAD BEEN DROPPED FROM STOCKHOLM DIPLOMATIC LIST, GOVERNMENT MAY HAVE BEEN OFFERING THIS AS SOP TO LEFTWING OF SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY WHICH WAS UNDOUBTEDLY DISAPPOINTED BY REFUSAL OF GOVERNMENT TO BACK PRG RECOGNITION.
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